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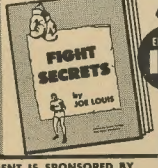

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PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION in the BLACK BOOK OF TEARS

THE LITTLE BOOK MEANT GRIEF TO HUNDREDS... AND MARK BELKER GLORIED IN THE POWER THE SECRETS IT HELD GAVE HIM. MEN LIKE ERIC JAYNES, FOR INSTANCE, WOULD DO ANYTHING TO DESTROY IT.

THE BOOK ISN'T IN THE SAFE, MR. JAYNES! PERHAPS A BULLET WILL TEACH YOU NOT TO ATTEMPT THIS AGAIN!
BELKER AGENCY
YOU'RE A FIEND, BEL... UNGH!

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RICHARD MANNING ATTENDED THE LINE-UP THE NEXT MORNING. HE WAS SHOCKED TO SEE ERIC JAYNES THERE...
THAT MAN--JAYNES! WHY IS HE HERE?
BREAKING AND ENTERING, IT SAYS HERE! KNOW HIM?

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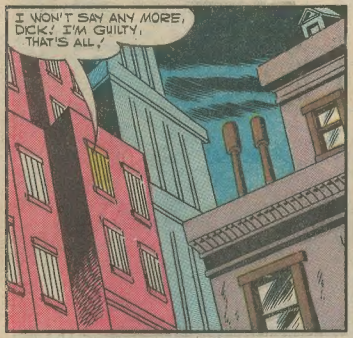
BUT YOU'RE NOT A THIEF, YOU'RE 'WEALTHY, MAN.'
MY MONEY COULDN'T BUY BELKER'S BLACK BOOK--SO I TRIED TO TAKE IT,' HE CAUGHT ME AT IT--SHOT ME AND LAUGHED.'



RICHARD MANNING WAS EVEN MORE PUZZLED A LITTLE LATER...
I KNOW YOU, MR. MANNING.' IS ERIC ALL RIGHT? DID THAT FIEND HURT HIM? I'M ELAINE ROSS, ERIC'S... FRIEND.'
HOW DID YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS?

HE DID IT FOR ME, MR. MANNING.' AND HE DIDN'T NEED TO.' I DON'T CARE WHAT BELKER HAS IN THAT BLACK BOOK ABOUT ME.'
TELL HIM, THEN, ELAINE.' HERE HE IS NOW...

YOU SEE, ELAINE? THE YOUNG FOOL COULDN'T PROTECT YOU.' FORGET HIM, MARRY ME.' I'LL KEEP YOUR NAME CLEAR OF SCANDAL.'
YOU MEAN YOU'LL SMEAR MY NAME IF YOU CAN.' YOU'RE DETESTABLE.'

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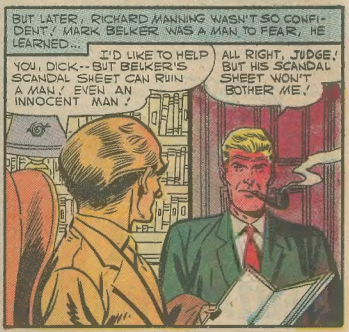
BUT LATER, RICHARD MANNING WASN'T SO CONFIDENT! MARK BELKER WAS A MAN TO FEAR, HE LEARNED...
I'D LIKE TO HELP YOU, DICK-- BUT BELKER'S SCANDAL SHEET CAN RUIN A MAN! EVEN AN INNOCENT MAN!
ALL RIGHT, JUDGE! BUT HIS SCANDAL SHEET WON'T BOTHER ME!

LATER THAT NIGHT, AFTER ERIC JAYNES WAS OUT ON BAIL...
I'M RICHARD MANNING! IS BELKER HOME?
I'LL SEE IF HE WANTS TO SEE YOU, MANNING! IT'S THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, BOSS!
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OH, A TOUGH GUY! I'M GONNA LIKE THIS!
YOU'LL BE SORRY, BUSTER!
YOU CLUMSY FOOL-- I WARNED YOU!
VERY NICE--BUT HITTING HIM GIVES ME ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO WARRANT SHOOTING YOU! HAD YOU THOUGHT OF THAT?
YOU WON'T SHOOT, BELKER! YOU'D RATHER TRY TO OUTWIT ME!
I ASSUME YOU'RE HERE TO PLEAD FOR THAT JAYNES IDIOT!
NO--NOT ERIC! YOU HAVE NOTHING ON HIM!
BUT YOU THINK YOU HAVE SOMETHING ON HIS FIANCEE, ELAINE ROSS IS THE NAME IN YOUR LITTLE BLACK BOOK, ISN'T IT?
HOW DID YOU LEARN THAT?
THE GUN WON'T HELP YOU! YOU WANTED ELAINE TO MARRY YOU! WHEN SHE REFUSED, YOU INVESTIGATED HER PAST! YOU TRIED TO FORCE HER TO MARRY YOU! I DON'T LIKE YOU, BELKER! AND I'LL PUT YOU IN PRISON WHERE YOU BELONG!

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

RICHARD MANNING WAS THOUGHTFUL ON HIS WAY HOME... AND IT ALMOST COST HIM HIS LIFE...
LOOK OUT, YOU... BELKER'S STOOGE!
THE PUBLIC DEFENDER CALLED ELAINE ROSS AND ERIC JAYNES TO HIS OFFICE THE NEXT DAY. ELAINE WAS FRIGHTENED...
ELAINE, BELKER KNOWS ABOUT YOUR PART IN THE NEW YORK DIVORCE CASE, DOESN'T HE?
LOOK, MANNING, LAY OFF. THAT'S OVER WITH NOW!
BELKER HAD PART OF THE FACTS AS YOU DO, ERIC. THE PART YOU DON'T KNOW IS THAT ELAINE WAS COMPLETELY INNOCENT. THE MAN'S WIFE FALSIFIED THE EVIDENCE. THE POLICE KNOW NOW.
I DIDN'T KNOW THAT, OH, ERIC. I TOLD YOU.
I COULD JAIL BELKER NOW FOR ATTEMPTED BLACKMAIL--BUT THAT LITTLE BLACK BOOK OF HIS COULD CAUSE A LOT OF PEOPLE MUCH GRIEF. I MUST GET THAT FIRST. ERIC, YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME. LISTEN...
LATER THAT DAY, ERIC JAYNES CALLED ON MARK BELKER. HE HAD A BRIEFCASE SUPPOSEDLY CONTAINING ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS...
I'LL GIVE YOU ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND FOR THE BOOK, BELKER!
NONSENSE, MAN. I'LL MAKE FIVE TIMES THAT AMOUNT FROM IT. I'VE MADE THAT MUCH FROM OTHERS ALREADY.

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

AT THAT MOMENT, RICHARD MANNING WAS ARGUING WITH BELKER'S BUTLER AGAIN...
JUDO'S FINE, BUT A GOOD RIGHT CROSS IS MORE SATISFYING!

THIS HIGH POWERED MICROPHONE WILL PICK UP BELKER'S VOICE!
...AND BLACKMAILING FOOLS LIKE YOU IS ENJOYABLE! MY LITTLE BLACK BOOK ISN'T FOR SALE!

RICHARD MANNING CONDUCTED A ONE MAN SEARCH THROUGH BELKER'S PRIVATE FILES! HE FOUND A LOT OF NASTY INFORMATION BELKER HAD COLLECTED...
DID YOU BURN EVERYTHING, DICK?
I SAVED ONE ITEM FOR YOU, ERIC...

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

When Link Braden faced the judge, he had nothing to say! The evidence against him was conclusive... and only Richard Manning, Public Defender, didn't believe his...

PLEA of GUILT

STOP, THIEF! STOP, OR I'LL SHOOT!
IF I DID STOP HE'D BE SURE TO USE EVERY BULLET IN THE GUN ON ME! I'M CERTAIN NOW THAT LINK BRADEN IS INNOCENT!
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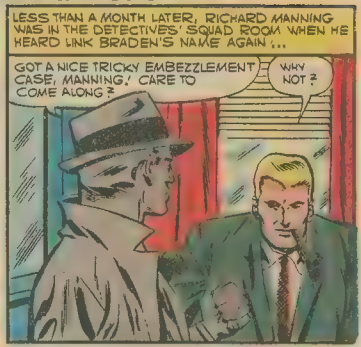
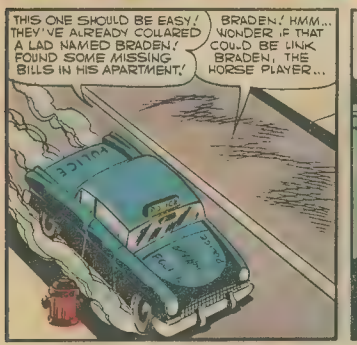
RICHARD MANNING HAD MET LINK BRADEN SOCIALLY ONCE! BRADEN WAS AT THE HORSE RACES THAT DAY....
THIS IS ONE OF OUR MORE ATTRACTIVE GAMBLERS! RICHARD MANNING, THIS IS LINK BRADEN!

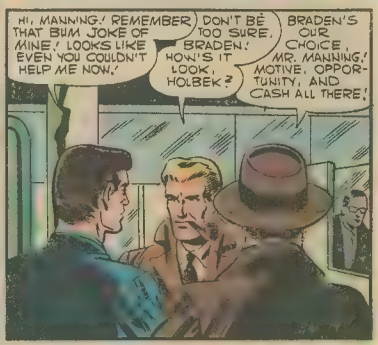
GLAD TO KNOW YOU, MISTER MANNING! YOU'RE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER! I MAY NEED YOUR HELP ONE OF THESE DAYS!
I CAN ONLY HELP THE INNOCENT, LINK! YOU'RE PROBABLY GUILTY ANYHOW!

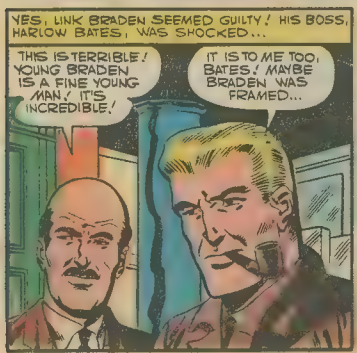
PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

THERE WAS ONLY THAT ONE MEETING -- BUT MANNING WAS OBSERVANT...
NICE YOUNG FELLOW! GOOD CLOTHES, WELL WORN -- HORSE LOVER, RATHER THAN PLUNGER TYPE! GOOD TYPE!


LESS THAN A MONTH LATER, RICHARD MANNING WAS IN THE DETECTIVES' SQUAD ROOM WHEN HE HEARD LINK BRADEN'S NAME AGAIN...
GOT A NICE TRICKY EMBEZZLEMENT CASE, MANNING! CARE TO COME ALONG?
WHY NOT?


THIS ONE SHOULD BE EASY! THEY'VE ALREADY COLLARED A LAD NAMED BRADEN! FOUND SOME MISSING BILLS IN HIS APARTMENT!
BRADEN! HMM... WONDER IF THAT COULD BE LINK BRADEN, THE HORSE PLAYER...
POLICE


HI, MANNING! REMEMBER THAT BUM JOKE OF MINE! LOOKS LIKE EVEN YOU COULDN'T HELP ME NOW!
DON'T BE TOO SURE, BRADEN! HOW'S IT LOOK, HOLBEK?
BRADEN'S OUR CHOICE, MR. MANNING! MOTIVE, OPPORTUNITY, AND CASH ALL THERE!


YES, LINK BRADEN SEEMED GUILTY! HIS BOSS, HARLOW BATES, WAS SHOCKED...
THIS IS TERRIBLE! YOUNG BRADEN IS A FINE YOUNG MAN! IT'S INCREDIBLE!
IT IS TO ME TOO, BATES! MAYBE BRADEN WAS FRAMED...

HARLOW BATES WAS ENRAGED BY MANNING'S RANDOM REMARK, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER HAD TO MOVE FAST...
JUST TAKE IT EASY.'
WHAT'S GOING ON? YOU'RE NOT ON THIS CASE OFFICIALLY, MR. MANNING.'
TRUE -- I APOLOGIZE TO BATES FOR THIS. BUT I'LL DEFEND LINK BRADEN IF I'M PERMITTED TO.'
LATER, WHEN BRADEN WAS ARRAIGNED...
...AND FINALLY, BRADEN, THIS MONEY WAS FOUND IN YOUR APARTMENT. DO YOU ADMIT YOUR GUILT NOW?
EVEN I'M CONVINCED. IT'S USELESS TO DENY IT.'
ONE QUESTION, BRADEN: BEFORE I GET PERMISSION TO DEFEND YOU, ARE YOU GUILTY?
NO, MR. MANNING, I AM INNOCENT.'
LATER...
YOU'LL LOSE THIS TIME, DICK. BRADEN HIMSELF ADMITS IT LOOKS BAD.'
YOUR CASE IS TOO GOOD, MR. D.A.. YOU FOUND THE EVIDENCE AGAINST BRADEN TOO EASILY. SOMEONE FRAMED HIM -- AND I KNOW WHO.'
LATER, THAT NIGHT, AT A WEALTHY ESTATE IN THE SUBURBS...
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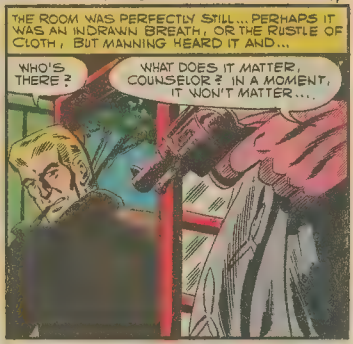
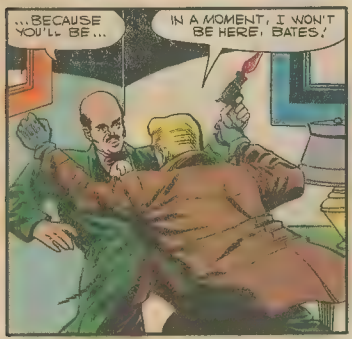
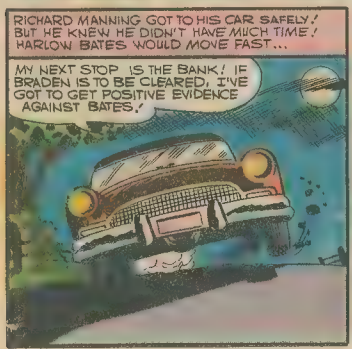
ACCORDING TO THE STOCK BROKER'S BOOKS, HARLOW BATES GAMBLES ON THE STOCK MARKET -- AND LOSES.
I WANT TO SEE HIS PERSONAL RECORDS...


THE ROOM WAS PERFECTLY STILL... PERHAPS IT WAS AN INDRAWN BREATH, OR THE RUSTLE OF CLOTH, BUT MANNING HEARD IT AND...
WHO'S THERE?
WHAT DOES IT MATTER, COUNSELOR? IN A MOMENT, IT WON'T MATTER....


...BECAUSE YOU'LL BE...
IN A MOMENT, I WON'T BE HERE, BATES.

YOU WON'T GET AWAY, YOU MEDDLING FOOL.


RICHARD MANNING GOT TO HIS CAR SAFELY. BUT HE KNEW HE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH TIME. HARLOW BATES WOULD MOVE FAST...
MY NEXT STOP IS THE BANK. IF BRADEN IS TO BE CLEARED, I'VE GOT TO GET POSITIVE EVIDENCE AGAINST BATES.

BRADEN TOLD ME THE GUARD EATS AT HOME. THIS MAY COST HIM HIS JOB, BUT IT'LL SAVE LINK'S FREEDOM.

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

THIS MAY BE IT.' I WANT PROOF THAT BATES GAMBLED AT LEAST AS MUCH AS LINK BRADEN DID.'
PERSONAL
HE WAS IN DEEP.' BUT HERE, IN THE LAST WEEK, HE'S PAID ALL ACCOUNTS.' THIS WILL INTEREST A JURY, I THINK...
PERSONAL
BUT IT SEEMED TO BE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S UNLUCKY NIGHT.' SUDDENLY...
YOU M.SSED, YOU OLD FOOL.' IF YOU GET THIS BURGLAR, I'LL SEE YOU GET A RAISE.' SHOOT AGAIN.'
IT'S DARK.' I CAN'T SEE HIM.' AH, THERE HE IS.'
...THE BANK AND HURRY.' HARLOW, BATES AND THE GUARDS HAVE ME CORNERED.' BRING BRADEN TOO.' THE GUARDS AREN'T IN WITH BATES.'
WE'VE GOT TO MAKE SURE OF HIM.'
MAYBE HE'D SURRENDER IF WE GIVE HIM... MISSED AGAIN.'

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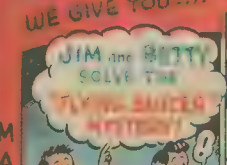

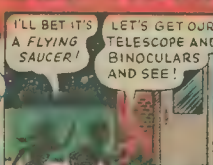

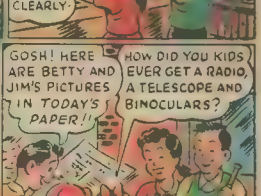

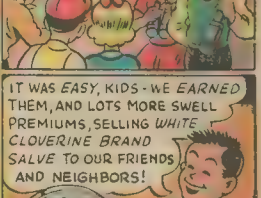
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THE POLICE ARE ON THE WAY WITH BRADEN. I CAN CLEAR LINK IF I LAST THAT LONG.
HERE I AM, BATES.
YOU FOOL, YOU'VE RUINED BOTH OF US.
I KNEW IT WASN'T A BURGLAR! MR. BATES LIED -- HE'S THE PUBLIC DEFENDER.
YOU WON'T STOP ME... UNGH.
BANK GUARD
ARREST HIM. HE TRIED TO ROB MY BANK.
YOUR PLAN FAILED BATES. I WAS BEING RELEASED WHEN MR. MANNING CALLED FOR HELP.
THE POLICE FOUND THE MONEY IN A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX I TOLD THEM ABOUT. I REMEMBERED HE HAD ONE. HOW DID YOU GUESS I WAS INNOCENT, MR. MANNING?
YOU'RE NO GAMBLER, LINK. I SAW YOUR PROGRAM THAT DAY AT THE TRACK. YOU WERE BETTING TWO DOLLARS AT A TIME. THE LADY WHO INTRODUCED US TOLD ME A LOT ABOUT YOU... ALL GOOD.
END

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

CRIME FACTS

THE STREET IS DARK ... AND THE LONE PEDESTRIAN DOESN'T EVEN SEE HIS ASSAILANT'S FACE AS HE'S HIT AND FALLS! THEN, THE WALLET IS SWIFTLY FOUND AND THE CRIMINAL IS GONE! APPARENTLY, THIS IS A PERFECT CRIME ...

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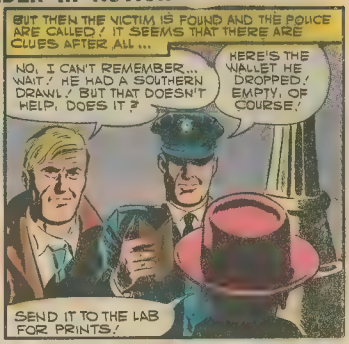
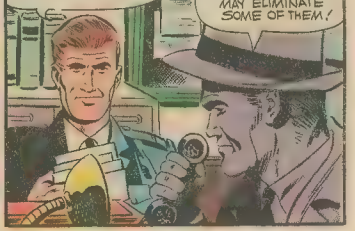
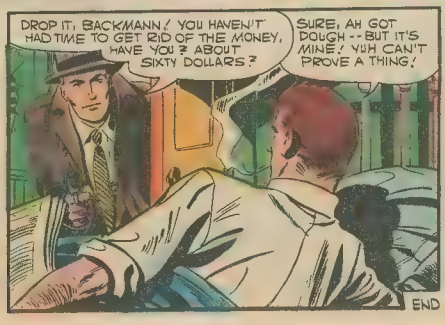
BUT THEN THE VICTIM IS FOUND AND THE POLICE ARE CALLED! IT SEEMS THAT THERE ARE CLUES AFTER ALL ...


NO, I CAN'T REMEMBER... WAIT! HE HAD A SOUTHERN DRAWL! BUT THAT DOESN'T HELP, DOES IT?
HERE'S THE WALLET HE DROPPED! EMPTY, OF COURSE!
SEND IT TO THE LAB FOR PRINTS!

LATER, AT HEADQUARTERS, A DOZEN MEN GO TO WORK ON THE CASE! THEY HAVE ONE SMUDGED THUMBPRINT TO GO ON ... PLUS STRONG SUSPICIONS ...


HERE'S SEVEN SOUTHERNERS WITH RECORDS WHO WE KNOW ARE IN THIS CITY. NOW, WANT PRINTS ON THEM?
RIGHT THUMB PRINTS ESPECIALLY! THIS PRINT WON'T NAIL OUR MAN DOWN BUT IT MAY ELIMINATE SOME OF THEM!

THAT NARROWED IT DOWN TO THREE MEN! AND DETECTIVE KERWIN ACTED FAST...


DROP IT, BACKMANN! YOU HAVEN'T HAD TIME TO GET RID OF THE MONEY, HAVE YOU? ABOUT SIXTY DOLLARS?
SURE, AH GOT DOUGH -- BUT IT'S MINE! YUH CAN'T PROVE A THING!

END

BACKMANN CONFESSED! THE MONEY HE TOOK CONTAINED NUMBERS WRITTEN ON ONE BILL, IDENTIFIED BY THE VICTIM'S BOOKKEEPER! THE CRIME WAS SOLVED SEVEN HOURS AFTER IT WAS COMMITTED!

"My Uncle Julius was sick," said Detective Al Norton. "So my wife decided to give his wife a bit of help. Called me up on the phone and told me she wouldn't be home. All I would have to do is to make my own breakfast. Sounds simple, doesn't it? At seven-thirty the next morning I was in the kitchen. I found the can of frozen orange juice, but where my wife hid the can opener was and still is a mystery. Spent fifteen good valuable minutes looking for it. Then I took a hammer and the screw driver. One smack and I went through the can and dented the table top. That was the end of any desire for orange juice.

"So I thought I should have fried eggs and bacon. I put some butter in the pan. Maybe I was dreaming. Next thing I knew the butter was burning. Then I put the eggs into another pan. How the egg shells got into that pan is something funny, but they were there! I turned around to look at the morning paper. The three strips of bacon were ruined.

"I figured that I should settle for coffee and toast, but something was wrong with the electric toaster. One slice refused to get even warm. The other came out looking like a thick hunk of wood that had been burned. It even tasted that way. When I went for the bottle of instant coffee, what do you think I found? It was empty! Here in the midst of civilization, I was starving."

"Why didn't you go around to the corner drug store and get some breakfast," interrupted Detective Ben Egan. "It would have saved you time, temper, and no worry at all."

"Exactly what I did," smiled Detective Al Norton. "Only I should have thought of it early in the morning before I went into my own kitchen."

The phone rang and Al Norton answered it. No need to continue on the topic of a man trying to make a good morning breakfast.

"Chief Edward Mirkus wants us in his office at once. Says he just received a phone call and we will have to leave everything and get in there pronto. Come on! We can't keep the Chief waiting."

The police chief was proud of the two members of his Special Squad. They could handle anything from the ordinary routine matters to the toughest assignment. The door to his office was open and they walked in.

"Officer Frank Moore called in five minutes ago. His foot beat is on the east side of Central Avenue. Some story he had to tell me. There's a house at 212 Central Avenue. Just full of money. Two men went in with a flour barrel that was empty and filled it with money. They had a fight with Mrs. Hilda Shutska. Left the barrel but took $5,000 with them. Edwards and Green of the Robbery Squad are out there. Get out in a hurry and find out how a house is full of money."

Twenty minutes later, Detectives Al Norton and Ben Egan parked their car outside of the nine-room two story house located at 212 Central Avenue. Another police car was ahead of them. Officer Frank Moore was outside and escorted both of them inside.

"You just look for yourself before you do any asking of questions," warned the police officer. "There's money, money, everywhere in the house. We found money in one-pound coffee bags filled to the top and carelessly tossed into corners. Then there was the closet in the hall. In the pockets of every pair of pants and jacket we found money. There were 20 pairs of trousers and 10 jackets. In the kitchen, the utensils and flower pots were loaded with coins. The bathtub is full of five dollar bills. Down in the coal bin there isn't one little lump of coal. The thing is filled with dimes, quarters, and half dollars."

The two detectives followed the police officer into a living room that was furnished with old chairs that should have long ago been in the junk heap. Seated at a table, were officers Edward and Green. Both were busy counting money.

"Hello fellows," greeted Detective Al Norton. "Where am I? Is this the United States Mint? Or a bank from Civil War Days?"

"When the reporters get here, they won't believe it," sighed Edwards. "So far we figure this place has about $125,450.00 in good money. Old, but good. The bills are the big ones they once issued. Mr. John Shutska and his wife Hilda didn't believe in keeping their

money in banks. Seems they have the reputation of being poor. I don't get it."

Twenty minutes later, one Theodore Witsman, attorney-at-law, was permitted to enter the house. The Shutska's were his clients. They had called him. He spoke to them and then to Detectives Al Norton and Ben Egan.

"For forty years, John Shutska drove a garbage truck. He just saved all of his money. That includes tips people gave him. I have tried in vain to get them to put the money into a bank. Now they will listen to me. A tall man rang their bell this morning. Said he was a gas inspector. They opened the door. He held a piece of pipe in his hand and threatened to hit them if they screamed. His partner brought in an empty barrel and started to fill it with money. Mrs. Shutska scratched the stout man with her finger nails. Her husband fought with the other man. They fled but grabbed a big package of those large one dollar bills."

"We can get into action at once," suggested Detective Al Norton. "They may try to buy gas and we'll contact all gas stations. Or they might try to get some first aid stuff at a drug store. So we will notify drug stores. Also other stores to be on the lookout for those large dollar bills."

The two detectives returned quickly to headquarters and prepared the notices which went out before dark. It was the next morning that results showed up. They received a telephone call to come out to Mack's Gas Station at the corner of Edgemere Road and Perciville Street. The two detectives drove out.

"The name is Mack Burney," said the owner. "I got one of those notices. Last night at about seven-thirty a fellow drives up in a 1948 Plymouth. In good condition. Blue sedan. Buys ten gallons and a quart of oil. Gives me those large old paper dollars. For a moment I hesitated, but took them. Gave change and managed to get a good look at the two. One had his face scratched. I thought something must be fishy. So when they left, I took a fast glance at the back license plate. Jotted the number down on the pad in my office. Wait and I'll get it for you."

The two detectives read the license number number: SK-234-891. If the car wasn't stolen, the rest would be easy.

"We ought to get a quick run down on the owner from the Auto License Bureau," remarked Detective Al Norton to his buddy. "Lou Daly is in charge. He's quick at getting results."

An hour later the two detectives found themselves in front of an address. It was an old boarding house on the outskirts of the town. In front of the boarding house was a 1948 Plymouth blue sedan with the license number of SK-234-891.

"If they are in, we better be careful," suggested Detective Ben Egan.

The two detectives rang the bell. A tired old lady with a mop in her hand answered.

"I don't care what it is you have to sell or give away. I just am not interested."

"You will be interested in our credentials," replied Detective Ben Egan.

"Oh," she apologized as she saw the badges. Then she led them into her living room and listened to what they had to say.

"The tall one is Slim Summers and his friend is Jack Gutter. They have a small apartment on the top floor. One came in last night with scratches on his face. I gave him peroxide and fixed it for him. Said he had a fight with his girl friend. They are out now but should be back within half an hour."

The two detectives waited. The old lady watched through the window. She nodded and pointed.

"Coming in now."

The door opened and the two men came in with some packages.

"Some people to see you," she remarked. "Come right into the living room."

The two detectives were standing. It was Slim Summers who looked them both up and down.

"We don't know you guys. So beat it."

Detective Al Norton showed his badge. The two men looked at each other.

"A ticket for parking the car near a fire hydrant?" asked Jack Gutter.

"For robbery and assault. Come to headquarters and be peaceful about it."

"We give back all the money and you forget about it," suggested Jack Gutter.

"You give back the money and you'll see what you can forget behind prison bars," replied Detective Ben Egan.

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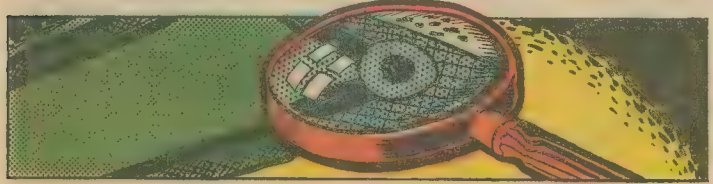
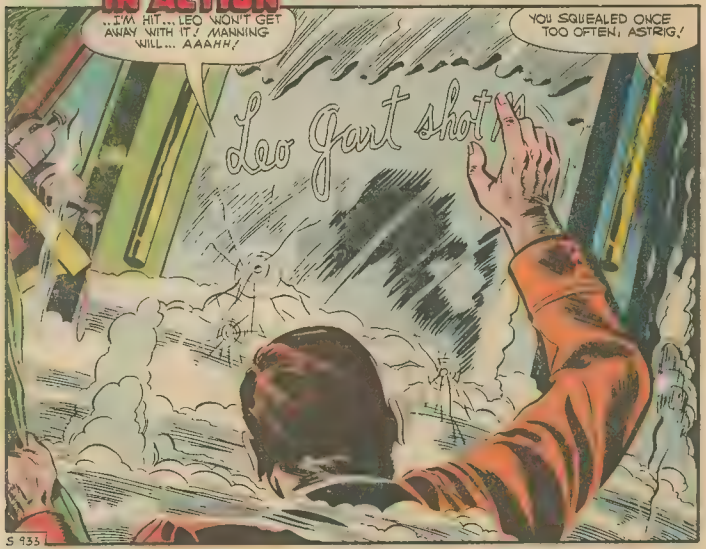


PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION in VANISHED CLUE

AS GANGSTERS' BULLETS POUNDED AT M. THE VICTIM REACHED FOR THE STEAMY MIRROR AND WROTE PAINFULLY BUT CLEARLY... THE NAME OF THE MAN BEHIND THE GUN THAT WAS TRYING TO TAKE HIS LIFE!



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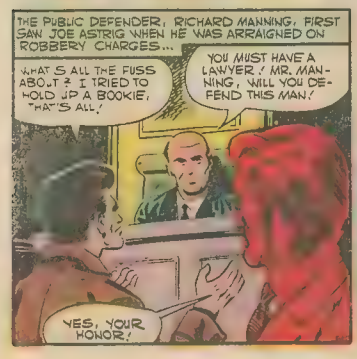
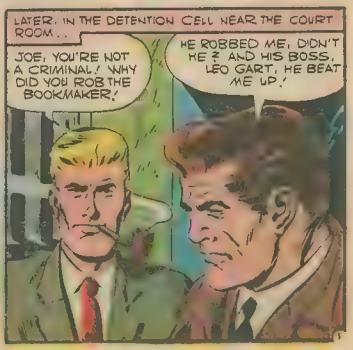

THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, RICHARD MANNING, FIRST SAW JOE ASTRIG WHEN HE WAS ARRAIGNED ON ROBBERY CHARGES...
WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT? I TRIED TO HOLD UP A BOOKIE, THAT'S ALL!
YOU MUST HAVE A LAWYER! MR. MANNING, WILL YOU DEFEND THIS MAN!
YES, YOUR HONOR!


LATER: IN THE DETENTION CELL NEAR THE COURT ROOM..
JOE, YOU'RE NOT A CRIMINAL! WHY DID YOU ROB THE BOOKMAKER!
HE ROBBED ME, DIDN'T HE? AND HIS BOSS, LEO GART, HE BEAT ME UP!

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

THAT NAME RANG A BELL! LEO GARRT WAS A GANGSTER... SLIPPERY, HARD TO CONVICT...
WHAT ABOUT GART? IS HE IN THIS?
SURE! THE BOOKIE TOLD ME TO SEE HIM WHEN I WENT BROKE! SAID HE'D LEND ME DOUGH! HE DID... AND HE COLLECTED FOR IT THREE TIMES! SEE THIS CUT?
HE TRIED TO KEEP COLLECTIN' AND I SQUAWKED! HE SLUGGED ME! TOLD ME TO RAISE THE DOUGH IN TWO DAYS!
THE PUBLIC DEFENDER SUCCEEDED IN GETTING THE DEFENDANT PAROLED IN HIS CUSTODY! ASTRIG WAS GRATEFUL BUT AFRAID...
RELAX, MAN! MAYBE I CAN GET A SUSPENDED SENTENCE FOR YOU!
I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT THE LAW! LEO GART IS THE ONE THAT WORRIES ME!
ON INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY RICHARD MANNING, GART WAS QUESTIONED ONCE MORE!
I DON'T REMEMBER! SEE, MANNING? ASTRIG'S SQUAWKIN' DIDN'T DO ANY GOOD AT ALL!
MAYBE NOT, GART! BUT YOU'LL GET JUSTICE SOONER OR LATER!
NO THREATS, COUNSELOR! DON'T GET ME MAD!
I DON'T CARE IF YOU GET MAD OR NOT, GART! YOU CAN'T SCARE ME!
THAT NIGHT, AS RICHARD MANNING PARKED HIS CAR...
NEXT TIME, WE WON'T MISS, MANNING!
ZING!

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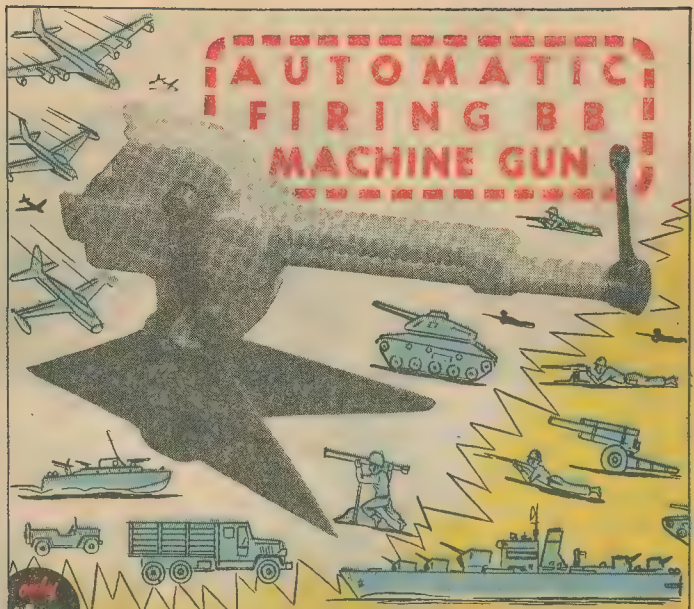

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PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

MANNING KNEW IT WAS GART'S WAY OF TELLING HIM TO LAY OFF, BUT THE PUBLIC DEFENDER DIDN'T SCARE.
OUTA MY WAY, COUNSELOR; I GOT NO TIME...
YOU'LL HAVE A LOT OF TIME... SOON.
I'VE GOT THE NAMES OF FIVE MEN WHOM YOU SWINDLED WITH YOUR LOAN SHARK TACTICS, GART.
LAY OFF, MANNING. THAT WON'T FREE ASTRIG.
IT WILL WHEN I PROVE THE BOOKIE IS PART OF YOUR OUTFIT, GART! THEN HE'D BE ACTING AGAINST ASTRIG'S WELFARE...
I'M SICK OF YOU, MANNING!
I'D HOPED YOU'D GET TOUGH, GART.
NOW, GET THIS, GART. JOE ASTRIG WILL GET A LIGHT SENTENCE-- BECAUSE YOU WILL ADMIT YOU SWINDLED HIM WITH THE BOOKIE'S HELP.
LAY OFF THE ROUGH STUFF.
JOE ASTRIG FOUND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER WAITING FOR HIM AT HOME THAT EVENING... WITH GOOD NEWS...
...SO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SAID IF I CAN PROVE GART'S GUILT, YOU'LL GET OFF EASY.
WONDERFUL! LOOK, I THINK HE KEEPS HIS LOAN RACKET RECORDS IN HIS HOTEL ROOM!
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PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

RICHARD MANNING WAS HOME THAT NIGHT WHEN THE PHONE RANG.
HELLO, MANNING? JOE ASTRIG! MY WIFE'S AWAY. SOMEONE'S TRYIN' TO GET IN THE HOUSE.
PLAY DUMB TILL I GET THERE. PRETEND TO BE SHAVING OR SOMETHING...
RICHARD MANNING BROKE EVERY SPEED LAW... BUT AS HIS ROARING CAR CROSSED THE CITY, A MENACING FIGURE SMASHED THROUGH ASTRIG'S DOOR...
WHERE ARE YOU, SQUEALER? THE BOYS ARE OUTSIDE. YOU CAN'T RUN.
PUT THE GUN AWAY, GART. IT DOESN'T SCARE ME.
IT SHOULD -- I'M GONNA USE IT ON YUH.
THE MIRROR'S ALL STEAMED! HOW CAN A GUY SHAVE IN A STEAMY MIRROR?
YOU SHAVED FOR THE LAST TIME, BIG MOUTH.
ASTRIG HAD BEEN TRYING TO STALL FOR TIME... BUT HE KNEW HE'D LOST AS HE STARTED TO SCRAWL ON THE STEAMED MIRROR...
THEY'LL GET YOU FOR... UNGH.
NO ONE WILL GET ME! NO PROOF.
MANNING... MANNING WILL...
Leo Gart Shot

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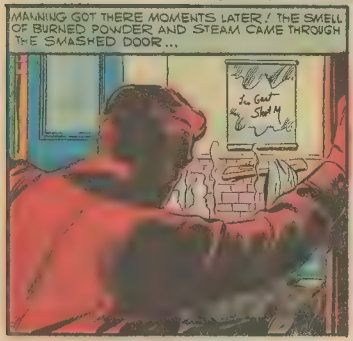
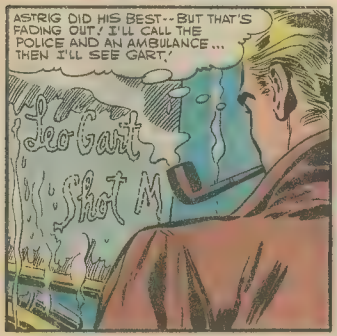
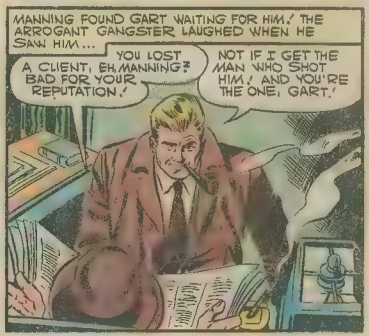
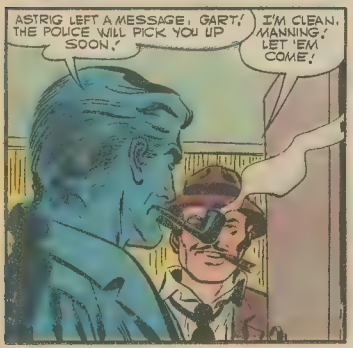
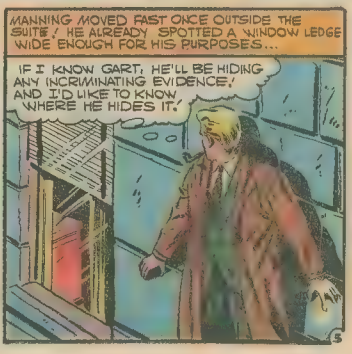





MANNING FOUND GART WAITING FOR HIM! THE ARROGANT GANGSTER LAUGHED WHEN HE SAW HIM...
YOU LOST A CLIENT, EH, MANNING? BAD FOR YOUR REPUTATION!
NOT IF I GET THE MAN WHO SHOT HIM! AND YOU'RE THE ONE, GART!




MANNING MOVED FAST ONCE OUTSIDE THE SUITE! HE ALREADY SPOTTED A WINDOW LEDGE WIDE ENOUGH FOR HIS PURPOSES...
IF I KNOW GART, HE'LL BE HIDING ANY INCRIMINATING EVIDENCE! AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHERE HE HIDES IT.
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PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

GET ALL THE LOAN SHARK BOOKS OUTA HERE, CY! GRAB THESE!
TOO LATE, BOSS! COPS AT THE ELEVATOR NOW!
I'LL DROP 'EM OUT THE WINDOW! WE CAN WORRY ABOUT GETTING 'EM BACK LATER!
IT'S NOT THAT EASY, GART!
I'LL TAKE THE GUN, PUNK!
DROP THE ...OH, IT'S YOU, MR. MANNING!
GLAD YOU'RE HERE! ARREST THEM ALL!
JOE ASTRIG RECOVERED CONSCIOUSNESS! HE NAMED GART!
YOU PANICKED, GART, THAT WAS YOUR MISTAKE! JOE'S MESSAGE ON THE MIRROR DRIED UP -- VANISHED! BUT YOU COULDN'T BE SURE, COULD YOU?
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THE POINTING CLUE

I'D SAY THE WOMAN CAME TO GRIEF BY MEANS OF A BLUNT INSTRUMENT BETWEEN THE HOURS OF TEN O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT AND ONE THIS MORNING, CAP!
AND WHY, I WONDER? RICH, INFLUENTIAL, APPARENTLY HAPPILY MARRIED...
ONE MOMENT, MAC! LET'S NOT TAKE TOO MUCH FOR GRANTED! IF SHE WAS HAPPILY MARRIED, WHY WAS SHE LIVING HERE AT THIS HOTEL, WHEN HER TOWN HOUSE IS BUT A TEN-MINUTE DRIVE AWAY! LET'S HAVE THE HUSBAND BROUGHT HERE, HUH?
S767
A HALF-HOUR LATER...
LYDIA! LYDIA... SHE'S... SHE'S...
WHY? WHY DID IT HAVE TO HAPPEN TO HER?
I KNOW IT'S A SHOCK, MR. STEVENSON! BUT, TRY TO GET HOLD OF YOURSELF! HAVE YOU ANY IDEAS? HAD SHE ENEMIES?

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

HAVE YOU SEARCHED HER ROOM FOR CASH OR JEWELS? SHE ALWAYS CARRIED AT LEAST A THOUSAND DOLLARS... AND SHE WAS FOND OF JEWELS...
WE'VE FOUND NEITHER IN THE ROOM-- AND, BY THE WAY...
...THE BLOWS STRUCK YOUR WIFE ON THE RIGHT FRONT PART OF HER HEAD! INDICATING A LEFT-HANDED PERSON...
NO DOUBT YOU NOTICED THAT I LIT MY CIGARETTE WITH MY LEFT-HAND, TOO! BUT I'M REALLY AMBIDEXTROUS, CAPTAIN LONGMAN! I USE RIGHT OR LEFT HAND EQUALLY WELL! AND I DIDN'T KILL HER!
MY WIFE WAS IN DREAD OF A PROWLER! SHE... ASKED ME TO SPEAK TO THE MANAGEMENT, CAPTAIN! SHE WAS SURE THERE WAS ONE...
WHEN DID YOU SEE YOUR WIFE LAST, MR. STEVENSON!
I SAW HER HERE THE NIGHT BEFORE LAST! LAST NIGHT I SPENT THE EVENING WRITING A LETTER TO HER! I STEPPED OUT FOR A SHORT WHILE... TO MAIL THE LETTER!
LIGHTING ANOTHER CIGARETTE, THIS TIME WITH THE RIGHT HAND! DOUBTLESS TO SHOW ME!
WHAT WAS IN THE LETTER?
WELL, WE HAD DIFFERENCES! ACTUALLY, SHE HAD LEFT ME, CAPTAIN! MY LETTER PLEADED WITH HER TO RETURN... AND NOW, (SOB) SHE'S GONE!
SORRY, THAT'S ALL FOR NOW, MR. STEVENSON! KEEP YOURSELF AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING, PLEASE! NOW, MAC, WE HAVE A FEW OTHER THINGS! FIRST, AT THE HOTEL DESK!
A SHORT TIME LATER -- AT THE HOTEL DESK...
TWO LETTERS, CAPTAIN! ONE FROM MR. STEVENSON, ALL RIGHT!
THAT COULD HAVE BEEN WRITTEN AND MAILED DELIBERATELY! NOW THE OTHER ONE! THOMAS BARON, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW! HMM...
CAPTAIN LONGMAN!
DESK
CLERK

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

THE MANAGER OF THE HOTEL! YES?
THIS IS THE NIGHT PORTER, CAPTAIN! HE HAS SOMETHING TO TELL YOU!
I WAS CLEANING LAST NIGHT, ABOUT ELEVEN-THIRTY, SIR! A MAN CAME DOWN THE STAIRS... NOT FROM THE ELEVATOR! HE WAS QUITE THIN, SIR-- WITH RED HAIR...
SOUNDS LIKE STEVENSON, CAPTAIN! AT LEAST, THE MAN WHO COMPLAINED ABOUT PROWLERS NEAR HIS WIFE'S ROOM THE NIGHT BEFORE!
CAPTAIN LONGMAN THANKED THEM AND...
ON SECOND THOUGHT, MAC, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD ARREST STEVENSON ON SUSPICION OF MURDER!
I WAS HOPING YOU'D THINK IT WAS TIME TO DO SO, CAPTAIN!
THAT AFTERNOON, AT THE LAW OFFICES OF THOMAS BARON...
IN MY OPINION, CAPTAIN, NO ONE COULD HAVE DONE IT BUT STEVENSON! HE IS UTTERLY DEPENDENT ON HIS WIFE FOR HIS LIVING! SHE WAS ABOUT TO CUT HIM OUT OF HER WILL!
FROM THE WORDING OF YOUR LETTER, I SUSPECTED AS MUCH! THANK YOU, MR. BARON!
AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS LATER THAT DAY...
CAPTAIN, YOUR PRISONER, STEVENSON, WANTS TO TALK WITH YOU IN HIS CELL!
WELL, CAPTAIN-- I GUESS THIS IS IT! CONFESSION, EH?
PERHAPS, MAC!
YOU ASKED TO SEE ME, MR. STEVENSON?
IT'S ABOUT THE QUARREL WITH MY WIFE, CAPTAIN! IT AROSE OUT OF MY BUYING EXPENSIVE JEWELS--ALL FOR HER, YOU UNDERSTAND! BUT THE RUB WAS THAT I CHARGED THEM TO HER ACCOUNT!
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PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

"I WAS REALLY EXCITED ABOUT GETTING THEM FOR HER"...

THEY'RE SO LOVELY, THEY LOOK SO BEAUTIFUL ON YOU...

YOU TWO-CENT CHISELER! BUYING JEWELS FOR ME ON MY ACCOUNT / YOU DIDN'T BUY THEM FOR ME BECAUSE YOU CARE HOW THEY LOOK-- YOU BOUGHT THEM TO GET A COMMISSION FROM YOUR BROTHER!

YOUR BROTHER?

YES, MY BROTHER JOHN IS A JEWELER! HE SOLD THE JEWELS TO ME! WELL, HE WAS TO PAY ME A COMMISSION, CAPTAIN! A SMALL ONE, THAT IS! A MERE THOUSAND DOLLARS!

WHY ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT NOW, STEVENSON?

WELL, I...I WANTED TO PROTECT MY BROTHER! BUT...NOW, IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH!

LATER, AT WILL STEVENSON'S JEWELRY STORE.

...YES, I CALLED AT THE HOTEL AND RECEIVED BACK THE JEWELS I HAD SOLD MY BROTHER FOR HER ACCOUNT/ WHY DO YOU ASK?

MRS. STEVENSON WAS MURDERED LAST NIGHT/ I THINK YOU'D BETTER COME ALONG WITH US/

BACK AT THE HOTEL...

YES, SIR! THAT'S THE MAN I SAW! HE'S THE ONE!

I TELL YOU WHEN I LEFT MRS. STEVENSON'S ROOM -- SHE WAS VERY MUCH ALIVE!

"IF FACT, I THOUGHT THAT I MYSELF MIGHT BE THE VICTIM OF VIOLENCE"...

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"I MADE OUT THE RECEIPT, SHE SNATCHED IT FROM ME AND STUCK IT INTO HER BAG, AS I LEFT SHE WAS RETRIEVING THE SCATTERED BILLS THAT HAD FALLEN OUT.".

NOW GET OUT! GET OUT!

"...AND BELIEVE ME, I LEFT! I DIDN'T EVEN WAIT FOR THE ELEVATOR...

I'LL CHECK YOUR STATEMENTS THOROUGHLY, MR. STEVENSON! MEANWHILE, KEEP YOURSELF AVAILABLE FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING!

BUT YOU CERTAINLY DON'T THINK NOW THAT I... I... Y-YES SIR! GOOD DAY!

WELL, SIR, YOU HAVE TWO PRIME SUSPECTS NOW! WHAT'S THE NEXT STEP?

I'LL TURN THE EVIDENCE OVER TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND LET HIM DECIDE! MEANWHILE, HERE'S WHAT I WANT YOU TO DO...

BZZZ... BZZZ...

WHAT THE DICKENS! YOU DON'T BELIEVE...

THINGS WENT AHEAD, WITH CHARGES PRESSED AGAINST BIRCHARD STEVENSON! HE WAS FORMALLY CHARGED WITH MURDER! THEN, THREE WEEKS LATER...

CAPTAIN, THIS IS MAC! WELL, I THINK WE HAVE SOMETHING AT 4209 AVENUE K! THE MATTER JUST CAME TO A HEAD...

GOOD, MAC! WAIT FOR ME THERE!

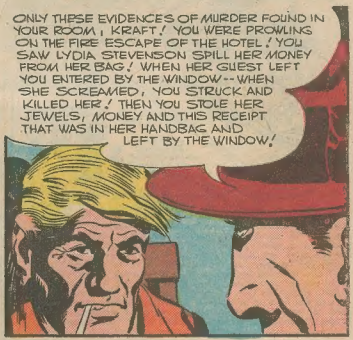
TAXI! TAXI!

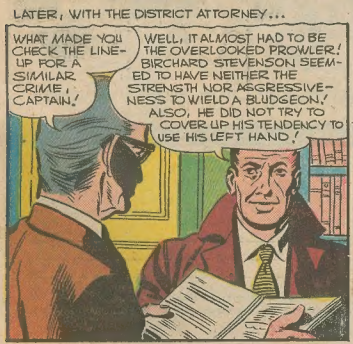
TAXI

PUBLIC DEFENDER IN ACTION

EVENTUALLY...
I GUESS YOUR HUNCH WAS RIGHT, CAPTAIN! BUT WE'VE GOT TO GET THE PRISONER TO CONFESS!
HERE WE ARE, MAC! THE RECEIPT FOR THE JEWELS! SOME OF THE MONEY AT LEAST! AND SOME OF LYDIA STEVENSON'S OWN JEWELRY, TOO!

AT HEADQUARTERS...
SO WHAT? YOU GOT NOTHIN' ON ME!
YOU ARE JOE KRAFT? AND IT'S TRUE, ISN'T IT, THAT YOU HAVE A LONG RECORD OF CRIMES AGAINST YOU?


ONLY THESE EVIDENCES OF MURDER FOUND IN YOUR ROOM, KRAFT! YOU WERE PROWLING ON THE FIRE ESCAPE OF THE HOTEL! YOU SAW LYDIA STEVENSON SPILL HER MONEY FROM HER BAG! WHEN HER GUEST LEFT YOU ENTERED BY THE WINDOW--WHEN SHE SCREAMED, YOU STRUCK AND KILLED HER! THEN YOU STOLE HER JEWELS, MONEY AND THIS RECEIPT THAT WAS IN HER HANDBAG AND LEFT BY THE WINDOW!


LATER, WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY...
WHAT MADE YOU CHECK THE LINE-UP FOR A SIMILAR CRIME, CAPTAIN!
WELL, IT ALMOST HAD TO BE THE OVERLOOKED PROWLER! BIRCHARD STEVENSON SEEMED TO HAVE NEITHER THE STRENGTH NOR AGGRESSIVENESS TO WIELD A BLUDGEON! ALSO, HE DID NOT TRY TO COVER UP HIS TENDENCY TO USE HIS LEFT HAND!

AND THE BROTHER?
WELL, IT'S NOT LIKELY JOHN WOULD KILL JUST TO MAKE A SALE! AND WITH THE CUSTOMER WILLING TO RETURN THE JEWELS, HE WOULD FEEL LUCKY TO BE GETTING THEM BACK! SO, AS I SAID BEFORE, THERE WAS NOTHING LEFT TO DO BUT FIND THE PROWLER, WHEN HE PROWLED AGAIN!
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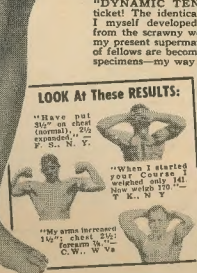

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